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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please rewrite claims 13 and 25, without prejudice or disclaimer, and add new claims 27 and 28:

(13.) (once amended) The system according to claim 12 wherein the first target and the second target may be expressed as the following equations, respectively:

 $T_1=F_S$ *R_O/(R_S- T_A), where T₁ is the first target which represents a highest priority job exit feed target, F_S is a specific feed count which represents a cumulative feed count for a particular job exit, R_O is an overall request sum which represents the sum of feed requests for any or all job exits, R_S is a specific request sum, and T_A is a target adjustment which represents an adjustment of at least the first target;

